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WINNER'S STAKE

THE KID LOST HIS BETS BUT WON IN THE END

The employment manager said: "Neme?"

"Percy Perkins." The youngster's voire wes pitrhed rather high. He added, "I would like a tough job." The employment manager soninted at him through half shot eyes.

"What's your draft status?"
"I'm 4F," ceplied Percy.

"I need a time rleek," the employment man-

aget suggested. "Think you can handle that?" "I could, but I won't," the youngster retorted. "I seid I want a tough job. All my friends are out fighting a wer. A couple have been killed even. Several are wounded. And you think I'm going to take e job here clerking? I seid I want a job that's tough, real tough. So I'll aehe all over."

"You'll have to have a physical," said the employment menager. "But if you pass it, you'll get a job thet you'll wish you didn't have. I give you one day end lay you odds

thet you won't come back.

"I haven't any money, but if you'll tinst me,

I'll take it, and at even money."

At seven the following morning, he was et the plant's fuenare. Mike Sweeney, the stoker boss, looked down at him end blinked.

"Whaddye want, kld?" he esked. Percy

didn't hat an eye.

"Whet do you went?" he asked.

"I was told to come here and help you." Mike stood back a step and viewed Percy "Don't tell me!" he expletmed. with elarm "What's your name?"

"Percy Perkins," Percy seid.

do? I'd like to get to work."

"You're kinde fresh," Mike said. "For a guy with a moniker like thet. Suppose I give you a clout in the lece!"

"I'll bat you with the shovel if you do. But anyway, you'd hold up production thet

wey and I went to get going

Mike grinned. He couldn't help it, "Greb that barrow there and start healing roal over here. Lots of it. I'll give you five to one you'll hand in your time card helore noon."
"Even money," said Perry. "I already got

a ber with the employment menager. I haven't got anything to put up, though. You'll have

to take it on the ruff.

Perry put everything behind his straining The berrow followed the usual pattern, starting with a fast coll at the foot of the esmp le began to lose momentum toward the middle, wobbled to a neee stop end then by some sheer power of more spirit then muscle hehind it, began to climb again and ecached

the pletform at Mike's feet, where each time it seemed to dump over by itself.

Mike leughed each time to himself-earh time the berrow balted, carh time it dumped. And when the noon whistle blew, Mike pulled a five from his pocker.

"Well, kid, you won," he said. "I'll make it ten to five you don't last the afternoon."

Perry drew a long breath. "Even money," be puffed. "Between you and the employment menager I'm gonna make a wae bond by

Mike was scowling as he dog into the bituminous pile before him. The thought of losing a ten to a little squirt with the name of Peecy preyed on his mind. He begen to heave dnuble loads into the furnare and the steam

gauge rrept upward.

"Come on, kid," he growled. Percy gritted his teeth end hegan to take the loads on the tun. By two o'clork no one could recognize him. His fare was black. His overalls were black. His body, bure to the waist, was coated with sweat-streeked coal

Mike glenred at the gauge again and I towned, Then for a moment he had a look of grim satisfartion as he saw Percy hesitate at the loot of the temp with terror in his eyes. Suddenly Mike realized the reason when he heard a sharp whistle. Steem! A boiler break! He looked horrified at the kid in the pit.

A deathly scieum of wrenching metal as the boiler side geve way, the whistle breaking into a coce of boiling water and buesing steem. A flying piere of the boiler crarked Mike's

Percy stood grimly in the peth of the boiling flood and took the weight of Mike's falling body. Somehow he seemed to have figured out the use of directional force. For Mike's fell against Percy, sent the youngstee sprawling onto the ramp ewey from the boiling torrent.

It was two weeks helote Percy returned to the plant. Ife went to the employment meoager and handed him a five and a ten.

'The ten is for Mike," he said.

"Well, thanks," seid the employment menager, surprised.

"Thank you," said Percy.

The employment meneger grinned. "Hed anough, did you?"

"Yeah," Percy answered. "Enough to convince the draft board they were nuts. I'm putting the khakt on tomorrow."













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MURDER MIX-UP

POISON WORKED BETTER THAN YOODOO

Randall Sievens came out of the skirting woods in the Alabama Red Hills and walked slowly in the deep twilight of the evening toward the rustie eabin of his unele, Sam Wellet. He hesitated as he thought he saw the figure of a youth uptight and flat against the wall of the building. He watched care-Inlly. The figure moved in the shadows and stopped when he had rearhed the renter of the cabin wall.

He said to himself: "It's the Cajan boy,

Ben Weaver."

He saw something in the youth's hand. It looked like a white cloth sack and he saw the boy kneel down and bury it in the earth beneath the cabin's wall. Stevens pursed his lips and his hand sole gingerly to the small paper packet in his pocket. The Calan boy tutned and lost himself quierly in the gathering shadows. Stevens narrowed his eyes in a cold steely glate ahead and plowed through the knee-high gtass, making tracks toward the eahin door.

Inside, he lound Sam Welter reading by the flieketing light of an oil lamp. Welter set

down his book as Sievens entered. "Hello, Uncle Sam," said Stevens, "Have

you made supper?"

The older man shifted his bulk. "Waiting

for you," he said.

"Stay there," said Stevens. "I'll pont a couple of shors before supper." He went to the cupboatd and took out two jiggers and a bottle of Scotch whiskey, hall full.

Stevens watched his unele down his drink and stood roldly and impersonally watching his convulsed breathing, his gasping, the avid lear in his fare.

"You devil-poison!"

"We made a deal, Unrie. Remember?" Sievens's hard eyes nevet flecked. "I was to buy the ridge from Lyle Sellers, which I did. You were to turn it over to Great Southern Railway for a branch line. Which you said yon conldn't do."

Welter grasped his throat and opened his mouth, but no words eame lorth. Stevens stood, holding his untourhed liquot in his

hand.

"I found out in rown you did make a deal. I saw Ben Weaver burying the dough outside the cabin. So it puts me nicely in the elear. The Cajan murdets you and steals your money. The sheriff and I will even watch the young sier come back to get it."

Stevens walked out into the woods and

when he returned he was surprised to find Ben Weaver, the Cajan youngstet, walking atound the cahin with Mike Shade, the deputy from the sheriff's office. He went to meet

"Better get ready for a shock, Sievens," Shade said. He led the way inside and tutned np the lamp that was still burning beside the bunk. Its tays fell on the pain-twisted lare of the dead Sam Welter.

"Ben says he done it," Shade explained. "I just come up from town with him."

"But why?" Stevens blurted.

"Go on and tell, Beo," Shade ordered.

"I had a right fine hound that I use fer 'eoon huntin'," Weaver explained. "Mister Welter jest bortowed that dog an' nohow he

won't get it back to me,"

"The hound got away," said Stevens suavely. "But I think I know the teal teason for the mutder. He heard Uncle Sam had collected some money from the Great Southern. Bet if you look around you won't find it here!"

"I'll youch it wasn't that," said Shane. And he eyed Randall Stevens quizzically. how did you know about the deal?" he asked

"I was Unele Sam Welter's partner, Shoulda't I know?"

Shane didn't answer, but as Stevens edged slowly arross the room toward the fireplace, Shane followed him. When Stevens drew his hand from his pocket, Shane grabbed it.

Stevens yanked his hand back, but Shane had the small paper packet, Stevens reached below his cost, but Shane

sent a right straight to the jaw that sent Sievens down in a heap. Stevens rose, but Shane held his guo level theo.

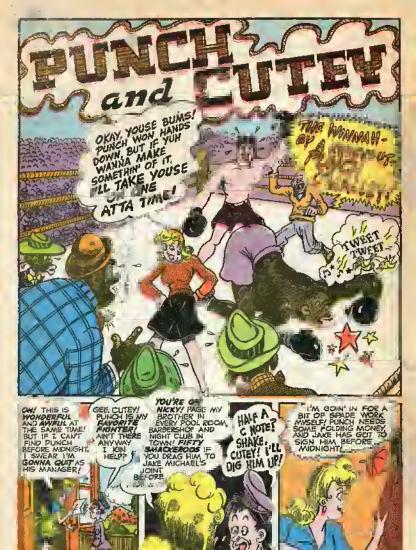
"You'te barking in the dark," Stevens

snarled.

"Oh, no," said Shaoe. "The sheriff himself has that money. Your unele left it with him, was goona sneprise you with the gift of it to get you started in business. But you were too smart to let film. And this paper with gtains of strychome in it will hang you alter the medical men get through."

Ben Weavet gulped. "You-all mean to say ti wasn't me who killed Ole Sam Weltet?" he shticked angrily. "You all kin think so if you want, hut you can't tell me I didn't hex him when I buried that saek of charred hones under the house sill beneath the head of his

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